Test fire of 'Nag' missile

811. SH. SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether as a step forward in Integrated Guided Missile Programme, India has test-fired the anti-tank guided missile 'Nag' on Wednesday, September 9, 1997;

(b) if so, the success achieved; and

(c) whether this places India, at par with developed countries in realising high performance missiles?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI MULAYAM SINGH YADAV): (a) and (b) In the recent developmental flight series in September, 1997, the Nag system has been successfully evaluated for its top attack capability.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Duggal Committee Report on Jail Reforms

812. SHRI E. BALANANDAN:
SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Committee headed by retired Justice S. Duggal on jail reforms has submitted its report; and

(b) if so, the salient points and suggestions made in the report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) Yes, Sir. The Committee has submitted its report to the Lieutenant Governor of Delhi.

(b) The main recommendations contained in the report relate to categorisation of prisoners and the facilities to be provided to them creation of conditions commensurate with basic human dignity; reduction of overcrowding and congestion in jails; provision of legal assistance to the prisoners; and strengthening of the scheme for the rehabilitation of discharged prisoners; etc.

Crime Ratio

813. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI:

SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of crimes reported under I.P.C. in the country during the last three years, year-wise; and

(b) the crime ratio per lakh population in the States and Union Terriroties during the same period State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) and (b) Available information relating to cognizable crimes under the I.P.C. during the relevant period is given in the enclosed Annexure [*See Appendix 182, Annexure No. 15*]

Dismissal of SPOs

814. SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the Special Police Officers (SPOs) of the Delhi Police were dismissed recently;

(b) if so, the number of SPOs out of the total who were dismissed; and the reasons for their dismissal;

(c) whether they are replaced by new SPOs; if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item appearing in the Hindustan times dated 19-9-97 alleging that these SPOs were replaced because they did not act according to the whims and fancies of the local police officers; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Delhi Police have reported that 205 Special Police Officers out of a total of 1577